



Request for City Council Committee Action From the Department of Finance and Property Services

Date: June 18, 2012

To: Honorable Elizabeth Glidden, Regulatory, Energy, and Environment Committee

Referral: Honorable Betsy Hodges, Chair Ways & Means Committee

Subject: **Amendment No. 1 (Final) – Able Energy
Currie Maintenance Facility 40kW PV Installation**

Recommendation:

That the proper City officers be authorized to execute Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. C-35061 with Able Energy. The total amount of Change Order No. 1 is \$2,839.04. Therefore, the current contract amount of \$186,895.52 would be increased for a revised contract amount of \$189,734.56. The original Project Budget (Fund 01300 Department 8201600 Project Number G3680EICCUR) is adequate for Change Order No. 1; therefore no additional appropriation is required.

Previous Directives:

- August 5, 2011: City Council and Mayor granted approval of bids for OP #7448, low responsive bid of Able Energy. in the amount of \$186,895.52
- August 6, 2010: Agreement to accept the \$1.35 million grant from the Minnesota Office of Energy Security for solar installations.

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Reviews

Permanent Review Committee (PRC):	Approval <u>NA</u> Date _____
Civil Rights Approval	Approval <u>YES</u> Date _____
Policy Review Group (PRG):	Approval <u>NA</u> Date _____

Financial Impact

No financial impact

Community Impact

Neighborhood Notification:

City Goals: Eco-Focused, Jobs and Economic Vitality

Comprehensive Plan:

Zoning Code:

Background/Supporting Information

In August of 2011, the City Council and Mayor awarded the bid for the installation of a solar photovoltaic system at the Currie Maintenance Facility to Able Energy for the amount of \$186,895.52. The Construction project began in December of 2011 and was completed in May of 2012.

Change Order #1

Change Order #1 consists of a change that was required by Xcel Energy. This charge is for moving an existing disconnect switch to a new location immediately adjacent to the disconnect switch for the new 40kW PV system that Able Energy installed. The need to move this switch was not identified by Xcel until the project was 75% complete. All expenses of this project, including this change order, are being paid for by a grant from the Minnesota Department of Commerce to place renewable energy along the route of the new light rail line. No City of Minneapolis funds were spent on this project. This will also be the final change order to Able Energy, as the project is now completed.

Therefore, we are requesting that the current contract with Able Energy be increased by a total of \$2,839.04 for a revised contract amount of \$189,734.52 to provide for Change Order No. 1. The construction contingency provided as part of the original Project Budget (Fund 01300 Department 8201600 Project Number G3680EICCUR) is adequate for Change Order No. 1; therefore no additional appropriation is required.